### VANDALISM HITS WELCOME SIGN AGAIN

Once again our small entrance sign at N. Campbell and N. Harrison has been vandalized. On Tuesday, March 29, 2016 one our residents noticed the sign had been destroyed once again. It appears to have been kicked until it broke. The police were called and an investigation is in process.

If you saw anything or know anything about the incident that resulted in the damage done to the sign to please contact Julie Sherbo at 816-868-8336 or the Gladstone Public Safety Department at 816-436-3550. We must all be observant of what is happening within our neighborhood. This time the vandalism was to our sign, next time it could be to your home or car.

The last time this sign was vandalized was in June of 2015. We were fortunate to have an anonymous donor pay to have the sign replaced. The cost to replace the sign at that time was \$1,033. We will need to decide as a neighborhood rather or not we pursue replacing this sign again. Your input will be invaluable at our Community Gathering on Thursday, April 21st.

# Bolling Heights Community Meeting Agenda Items

Kim Gasperi, Owner of The Funky Monkey

Alissa Hammon, Owner of The Laughing Place

Election & Installation of Board Members

Sign Vandalism



Bolling Heights
Community Meeting
Thursday, April 21st
7:00 p.m.
Linden Baptist
Church

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#### BOLLING HEIGHTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST



SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2016 SERVING FROM 7-11AM LINDEN BAPTIST CHURCH TICKETS:

\$5.00 - INDIVIDUAL \$20.00- FAMILY TICKET

# PLEASE COME & HELP SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY GROUP'S PROJECTS & MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS

#### CODES CORNER



#### **Vehicles for Sale**

#### Residential

- One at a time
- Parked on paved surface
- Four per calendar year

#### Commercial

- Employee or owner of property only
- Permission from business owner
- Written permission from owner displayed in window.

### TIPS FOR ENERGY SAVINGS

Switch



to compact fluorescent light bulbs. If every A m e r i c a n h o m e o w n e r replaced just one light bulb with an

**ENGERGY STAR** qualified bulb, we would save more than \$600 million in annual energy costs. Changing five of the most frequently used lights in your home can save up to \$100 a year.

**Test for leaks.** Hold a lit incense stick next to doors, windows, outlets and other openings. If the smoke stream travels horizontally, you may have an air leak.

**Power settings.** Set the power on your computer to have your monitor and hard drive "sleep" after a certain amount of time of non-use.

**Keep your heat inside.** When is snows walk outside and look at your roof. If the snow sticks and lasts more than a day, you probably have enough insulation in your attic. US Dept. of Energy suggests insulating to a rating of R-49.

Hot water heaters. Lowering the setting of your water thermostat can save approximately 3 to 5 percent in energy costs. By adding an insulator "jacket" to your heater, you can save even more too!

In the winter. In the winter time, improve your comfort and lower your heating consumption. Most fans have a switch which allows you to reverse the motor and operate the ceiling fan at a low speed in the clockwise direction. This forces warm air near the ceiling down into the occupied space.



# AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD BY LINDA BANES

Today I'm going to tell you about a couple that have been my friends for over 50 years. In September they moved from Bolling Heights, starting a new chapter in their lives. I want this to be a two part story. This is a story about the changing of a neighborhood. From the older, established neighbor that we knew, to the new and younger neighbor. The house is beginning its second life with new people.

This is going to be a telephone interview today with Shirley and Tom Brown. The Brown's lived in their house on  $66^{th}$  Terrace for over 50 years. They were married on Valentines Day 60 years ago. Five children grew up in a 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom house. The Brown's have 3 grandchildren and 2 greatgrandchildren. Think about it - a 3 bedroom house, with one bathroom and 5 kids. That's an undertaking for sure.

After school, Tom went to the Navy during the Korean War on the USS Iowa. He was in the Navy for 4 years. After leaving the Navy, Tom worked on the family farm in Hiawatha, KS. He and Shirley married, starting a family. After awhile they decided being a farmer wasn't going to be enough to support a young family. So off to Kansas City they went. Tom got a job at Hallmark Cards where he worked for 5 years. He heard about an opportunity to work for the City of North Kansas City as a fireman. He got the job and retired after 36 years. Many thanks Tom for your service to our country.

When they first came to Kansas City, Shirley worked various jobs outside the home, plus seeing to the children. She finished her working career at Farmland Industries with 23 years to her credit. One of the things Shirley wanted to do after she retired was to go to England, Scotland, and Ireland. As her retirement gift to herself, she got to take that trip. As Shirley says, "it was the trip of a lifetime, with her best friend."

While Shirley and Tom were still working they enjoyed travel, camping, and canoeing. This was something they could do as a family. I ask Shirley if she was crazy – 5 kids and a dog, camping?

They would load up a green station wagon, canoes and tents, and a poodle dog named DeeDee. (This was way before seatbelts.) Away they would go. Lots of memories.

After their retirement, the Browns started going to Brownsville, Texas for the winter. They would take off just after Christmas and come back home in late March, early April. Each year they would leave a little earlier for the trip to Texas – leaving in October, through March. Tom and Shirley decided if you're going to spend that much time in Texas, why not just move to Texas. That's exactly what they did. They had a house built and they've settled in.

Well, that's the first chapter of the house on 66<sup>th</sup> Terrace. Next, you will be introduced to the people that are now living in the Brown's house. I guess the house can't be called the Brown's house any longer can it? It's going to be a new life for an old house. You've heard the saying, "if the walls could talk."



Here are the Bolling Heights crime statistics for the month of October.

#### **February**

2nd - 600 block of NE 67th St suspicious person/vehicle - person /truck contacted, all ok

3rd - 6500 block of N Forest - suspicious person banging on doors, area checked, no contact

11th - 800 block of NE 67th Pl - open door, door secured

20th - 600 block of NE 66th St suspicious person, officers contacted person on illegal burning

26th - 1100 block of E 66th Terr - check the welfare, person contacted, all ok

26th - NE 66th St & N Forest—check the welfare, unable to locate

27th - 400 block of NE 67th Pl - disorderly conduct, person contacted

28th—500 block of NE 67th Pl destruction of property, damage done to rental property

29th - 6500 block of N Harrison—disorderly conduct, domestic disturbance

#### March

3rd - 6500 block N Harrison - theft - license plate stolen from vehicle

11th - 6500 block N Campbell suspicious vehicle, area checked , vehicle not located

11th - 600 block of NE 67th Pl - domestic assault

14th - 6400 block of N Forest - check the welfare of a family member

17th - NE 67th St & N Holmes suspicious vehicle, area checked, vehicle not located

20th - 500 block of NE 67th St—domestic disturbance

20th - 1000 block of NE 67th St - keep the peace

23rd - 1100 block of NE 67th St suspicious person, area checked, information passed on to investigators

26th - 6500 block N Forest - check the welfare of a family member

29th - 67th & N Campbell - property destruction, neighborhood sign damaged

30th - 900 block of NE 67th St—animal control issue

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

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If you would be interested in serving on the Bolling Heights Community Board, please contact any of the Board Members listed above. We are always looking for new members who can bring new ideas to our group.



April 29-May 1 - (8-5 daily) Bulky Item Drop Off Happy Rock Park—West Side

May 6-8 - (8-5 Daily)
Free Brush/Yard Waste DropOff
Gladstone Public Works
Facility

## NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECTS

In December, we delivered Christmas gift bags to 37 of our senior and homebound residents. The bags consisted of fresh fruit, candy, pastries and an ornament.

Through the generosity of our neighborhood residents and a partnership with The Grove church we were able to adopt two families from Oakwood Manor Elementary School. Christmas gifts were provided for every member of both families. It is such a blessing to live within the boundaries of such a generous and caring community. We would like to thank The Grove church for partnering with us. The Grove meets for church services on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. at the Gladstone Community Center.

In February, we delivered 42 Valentine treat bags to our seniors and homebound residents.

On May 1st we will be delivering May Baskets to our senior and home-bound residents. If you wish to help with this project, (creating or delivering) please contact Julie Sherbo at 816-868-8336. If you know of someone who should be on our list, please let Julie know.

Need help mowing your lawn this summer?

One of our neighbors is available for lawn mowing services at reasonable rates.

If interested, please contact Keith at 816-588-1236.





The Bolling Heights Neighborhood Group would like to thank Jeanine Sifers for her years of serving on our Board. She is an original member of the Board and her input was crucial to the organizing of our neighborhood group. Jeanine has made the difficult decision to step

down from the Board at this time. We will miss her and the wisdom she brought to our board meetings. Fortunately, for us she will still be involved in the neighborhood group, just not as a board member.



